REMARKS:

The Examiner rejected claims 15-17 and 18-20 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Regarding Claims 15-17, the Examiner stated that the phrase "of respective of said blades" is unclear because it cannot be determined what exactly is being claimed about the blades and which blades are involved. Applicant has amended Claim 15 to read "each of the blades has a rotatable control shaft extending longitudinally inwardly therefrom rotationally connected to respective of the support rings adapted to control rotation of which by a corresponding one or more of the blade control devices sets the vertical and horizontal thrust components of respective of said blades.". This clarifies the function of the control shafts associated with each of the blades to control the vertical and horizontal thrust components of the particular blade. Claims 16 and 17 dependent therefrom are likewise now clear as to what exactly is being claimed about the blades and which blades are involved. Therefore, Claims15-17 should no longer be considered indefinite by the Examiner.

Regarding Claims 18-20, the Examiner stated that the phrase "to respective of the support" is not understood or clear. Applicant has amended Claim 18 to read "the control devices of the rotor blade control system are each mounted to respective a corresponding one of the support rings for rotation therewith and operably connected to respective of the control shafts to control rotation of said control shafts.". This clarifies to what the control devices are mounted. Claims 19 and 20 dependent therefrom are likewise now clear as to what the control devices are mounted. Therefore, Claims 18-20 should no longer be considered indefinite by the Examiner.

All of the pending Claims 1, 2 and 6-24 should be allowable. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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